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For: COMPUTER-ASSISTED MEANS FOR ASSESSING
LIFESTYLE RISK FACTORS

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

- ☒ 1. **PTO-1449 Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b)**
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- ☐ 2.(a) **Statement Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)**
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- ☐ 3. **Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d)**
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The following are submitted in the above-identified application in compliance with
37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98:

- ☒ 4. A list of documents on Form PTO-1449 together with copies of each

identified document and a translation or a concise explanation of each non-English language document (such as a Search Report) is enclosed herewith. The presently cited and attached documents were found to be of record in application Serial No. 09/826,522 after inspection of the USPTO records. Examiner Spiegler is believed to be the Examiner in charge of application Serial No. 09/826,522. Application Serial No. 09/826,522 published on October 10, 2002 as US 2002-0146698 A1, a copy of which was cited to the present Examiner with the Information Disclosure Statement dated May 14, 2003. Of the attached references, the Forsberg et al reference was cited by the Examiner on a PTO-892 Form. The USPTO PAIR page indicates that a further Information Disclosure Statement was filed October 20, 2003 in application Serial No. 09/826,522. The present Examiner is requested to review the Information Disclosure Statement and cited documents filed October 20, 2003 in application Serial No. 09/826,522 and confirm the same by citing any additional documents on a PTO 892 Form in the present application.

This paper is submitted in accordance with:

- ☒ 5. 37 CFR 1.97(b): [within 3 months of filing or prior to 1st Office Action on the merits]
- ☐ 6. 37 CFR 1.97(c): [before Final Office Action or Allowance, whichever is earlier]; and
 - ☐ a) The required Statement made in item 8 below; or
 - ☐ b) The \$180.00 fee specified in 37 CFR §1.17(p) for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement is authorized in item 9 below.
- ☐ 7. 37 CFR §1.97(d): [after Final Office Action or Allowance (requires Rule 97(e) Statement and Rule 17(p) fee), but before final fee payment]; and
 - ☐ a) The fee (\$180.00) required by 37 CFR §1.17(p) is submitted herewith; and
 - ☐ b) The required Statement is stated in item 8 below.
- ☐ 8. Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(e)
 - ☐ a) The undersigned attorney of record hereby certifies under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement (each item contained in this IDS was the first citation of that item by a foreign

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- ☒ 9. Please charge all deficiency fees associated with the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement and any other fees applicable to this application to Deposit Account No. 14-1140. An original and one (1) copy of this document are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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